Wagons £or loading and transportation of goods at Solapur Railway Station

3750. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRA-KANT BHANDARE : SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAM-BHAJIRAO SHINDE :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the requirement and availability of wagons for loading and transportation of goods at Solapur Railway Station during October, 1992 to February, 1993:

(b) the reasons for short supply of wagons; and

(c) how far the shortage could be met by rationalisation of allocations to obtain optimum utilisation of capacity ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. *C.* LENKA) ; (a) and (b) Requirement 1017 wagons.

Loading : 1011 wagons.

The requirement has thus been mostly met.

(c) Does not arise.

Commercial exploitation of the air space over the Railway Station in New Bombay

3751. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRA-KANT BHANDARE: SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have since finally approved the Tripartite Agreement proposed by Ministry of Railways for com mercial exploitation of, the air space over the Railway stations in New Bombay and Railway stations in suburban Railway stations in Bombay and for utilisation of the funds so raised for Suburban Railway Project from Bombay Metropolitan Re gion (BMR); and

(b) if not, the reasons for the delay and at what stage the matter stands ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K C. LENKA) : (a) and (b) Agreement has since been signed for New Bombay. The funds so generated would, as per the terms of the Agreement, be first utilised by CIDCO to recover their cost towards the construction of these complexes and the surpluses, if any, shall be utilised by CIDO for suburban railway projects in the New Bombay Region.

There is no proposal for commercial exploitation of the air space over any other suburban railway station in Bombay.

Railway overbridge at Solapur

3752. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRA-KANT BHANDARE: WiU the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to *Ac* Unstarred Question 389 given in the Rajya Sabha on 25th November, 1992 and State :

(a) what were the alternative proposals (framed after joint inspection to ensure smooth flow of traffic at the level crossing at Gate No. 55 at Solapur;

(b) what is the response of the Municipal Corporation thereof; and

(c) what action is being taken in pursuance thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN TH1 MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) The proposals are :—

(i) Retaining the existing level crossing No. 55B on BG and connecting the same through proper pucca road with existing MG level crossing at Km. 292/6-7.

i ii) Passing the existing traffic at the BG level crossing No. 55B and connecting it straight to new proposed level crossing on MG.

(b) The Municipal Corporation of Solapur has not conveyed its decision.

(c) Railways will take action after Municipal Corporation of Solapur conveys its decision.